

NORTHERN New Mexico College



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Dear Ms. Rodriguez:

NNMC is in receipt of your most recent correspondence. The letter includes both misstatements and misrepresentations that require correction.

However, as an initial matter NNMC emphasizes that a full schedule for providing responses to your multiple IPRA requests was provided in the College's last letter to you. From the beginning, the College has worked diligently to provide responses to the 30 plus, overly broad/burdensome requests that you have submitted, even when you have failed to show up for scheduled reviews or failed to set times to review the materials that the College has gathered for you. As of the date of this letter, the following materials have been compiled and provided to you, along with the seven (7) previous requests the college had already provided you with.

- (#1) Faculty and Staff
- (#9) El Rito Water MOU
- (#5) Blue Sky Builders, Inc.
- (#14) Tony F. Ortiz at Law
- (#17) Basham & Basham
- (#11) Bilingual Strategies
- (#27) Barceló Compensation
- (#28) RBC Capital Markets
- (#29) Franklin, Modrall, Sperling
- (#15) Fiscal Watch Reports
- (#16) Bob Brown

In addition, for a substantial period of time in October and November of 2014, you failed to respond to inquiries from the College, including a request for you to advise whether you still wanted the materials you had requested. The College asked you to respond by October 15, 2014, as to whether you still wanted the material. You did not respond by

that time, and the College fairly concluded --- from your silence and failure to inspect requested materials --- that you were no longer interested in pursuing this matter. You now have expressed your interest to continue, and the College will be fully compliant with the law, but your lack of responsiveness has created some additional delays. To that end, the College will need until January 9, 2015 to complete your remaining requests, listed below:

- (#7) Valley National Bank
- (#10) MALCS
- (#25) MALCS Site Committee
- (#26) MALCS Email
- (#12) Historias
- (#24) Historias Steering Committee
- (#13) Diversity & Equity
- (#18) Carl Perkins
- (#19) Exito Grant
- (#21) American Indian Affairs Office
- (#22) American Indian Center
- (#23) Northern Pueblos Institute

In addition, the College rejects any suggestion that it has violated the law or any agreements with you. IPRA requires that you be provided reasonable opportunity to inspect requested material --- not the hours that you demand. The College has outlined multiple dates and opportunities for you, but you have not availed yourself of those opportunities. Furthermore, while the College expressed a willingness to make inspection opportunities align with “full business days,” it can only offer periods where it has staff present and where the hours align with their availability. There is no requirement in the law that states the materials be available from 8-5 or that the College must open for you when its employees are on vacation. The College will continue to advise you of available windows for inspection, endeavoring to make those times as long as possible, but with the clear understanding that the College sets those hours commensurate with the needs of the institution and its employees.

In addition, the College rejects your suggestion that it is “document dumping”. The document organization of which you complain reflects the state of how you left those documents after your most recent inspection session. If there was disarray, it was left there during your last visit.

With respect, the College is endeavoring to gather massive amounts of material for you. NNMC’s records indicate that you are not showing up to most of the time slots that it is offering for your inspection; that many of your requested materials are here and waiting for you to take the time to assess them; that you are complaining about not having

adequate time but are not using the windows of opportunity provided; that you are complaining about staff not being present when you want to inspect, again when you are not using the time slots offered; and that you have not responded to reasonable inquiries from the College about whether you even remain interested in the materials. The College recognizes its obligations under the Act, but it appears that your efforts appear more focused on harassing staff than actually reviewing compiled materials.

That being said, the following inspection times are offered yet again for you to review the materials that have been available for your review for some time now: Tuesday, January 13, 2015, Wednesday, January 14, 2015, and Thursday, January 15, 2015 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm, reflecting the delay created by your lack of responsiveness in October.

Our goal is to get you the required information and wrap this up in short order. Please conduct yourself accordingly, make yourself available for review, and attend any of the multiple inspection sessions being offered.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brandi Cordova". The signature is fluid and cursive, with "Brandi" on top and "Cordova" below it, both starting with a capital letter.

Brandi Cordova
NNMC Public Records Custodian